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Art in Public Places Commission

November 26, 2013

The Art in Public Places Commission (AIPPC) of the City of Annapolis held its regularly scheduled meeting on November 26, 2013 at the Pip Moyer Recreation Center. **Chair Moyer** called the meeting to order at 6:42p.m.

Commissioners Present: **Chair** Moyer, **Vice Chair** Koscianski, Towle-Krewson, Palumbo, Arthur, Matthews

Commissioners Absent: Averill, Fridrich

Staff Present: B. Woodward

Commissioner introductions were made for Mr. Charles Zug who was hired as the intern to catalogue the public art in the City. Mr. Zug discussed his experience with the St. John's Gallery and plans to study political science once he graduates from St. Johns. He is very interested in the arts program and the AIPPC agreed to identify the names of people that Mr. Zug could interview that deal with public art in the City.

October 22, 2013 Meeting Minutes

Ms. Palumbo moved approval of the October 22, 2013 meeting minutes as written. **Vice Chair** Koscianski seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 6-0.

1. City Hall Artwork Follow-up

Chair Moyer noted that the Boynton artwork is being reinstalled in City Hall and referred to an article in the Capital. She expressed concern that the article missed some key points by stating that the AIPPC "lobbied" to have the art reinstalled and she does not believe that the AIPPC lobbied for it but the decision was based on the law. Ms. Palumbo added that the article also indicated that the other works were not lobbied for which was inaccurate. **Chair** Moyer discussed the other arts with the current Mayor who responded that this would be a decision for the new Mayor. **Vice Chair** Koscianski would like to have access to these painting to label them so that people are aware that they are paintings to prevent any damage. He plans to gather the paintings dimensions and size when during this visit.

Ms. Palumbo discussed the Maryland State Arts Council staff person, Lucas Cohen, Director of Public Art Program who was hired to oversee administration of the recently passed public art initiative. Ms. Palumbo and **Chair** Moyer will plan to meet Mr. Cohen for lunch to discuss public art.

2. Seventh Ward Artwork Follow Up

Ms. Towle-Krewson noted that the first site fell through so Ward 7 is exploring another site off of Edgewood Road owned by Quantum. Quantum is based in Michigan so are waiting for a response from them at which time she will forward to the AIPPC. She provided some background on the Carr's Beach artwork for Mr. Zug. Mr. Woodward noted that if Quantum accepts the proposal then an agreement would be needed.

3. Permitting Process Follow Up

The AIPPC deferred the discussion on this agenda item to its January 28, 2014 meeting.

4. Website

Mr. Arthur met with Inna Young to gain access to the AIPPC website and made some changes. He went over what currently exists on the page and suggested moving forward in phases. Phase 1 will be "About Us – AIPPC" section. He asked that each commissioner provide brief bios with a photo to include on the website as part of Phase 1. He would like to have the bios prior to the January 28, 2014 meeting. He would like photographs of the public artwork to include on the site for the proposed gallery section and will be using Flickr for these embedded photographs. He suggested a newsletter but this is something to consider as the site is developed. He said that the AIPPC needs to consider a new logo and Mr. Woodward said this needs to be submitted to the City for approval prior to use. He hopes to develop a new artistic template for the AIPPC to use and encouraged members to provide some content to begin website development. There needs to be an administrator of the site and he would like a second member as a point of contact to also have access to update. He hopes to include social media in Phase 2 of the process. **Chair** Moyer suggested including the story of the Boynton art and the hiring of the intern on the site. Mr. Arthur agreed to send the AIPPC the website link.

5. Potential Sites for Artwork Report

Chair Moyer distributed a list of potential sites for the other art to members for consideration and there was significant discussion for additional locations to add to the list. She discussed the Pete the Pelican sculpture and agreed to pursue it further. Ms. Matthews agreed to check with HACA to determine if they are interested in public arts. **Vice Chair** Koscianski discussed an opportunity for a sculpture for an Annapolis location from Mel Hendricks. Ms. Palumbo suggested a vacant lot on Main Street as a potential location for the sculpture. **Vice Chair** Koscianski suggested a site on West Street. Whitmore Park was also discussed and whether the AIPPC should pursue a landscape architect to develop a design vision. **Chair** Moyer also discussed fun art which is the use of color that can be used in many park like settings.

6. 2013 Annual Report

Chair Moyer agreed to prepare the AIPPC 2013 Annual Report and distribute for review.

7. Alderman Meeting Assignment

Ms. Matthews suggested inviting the Aldermen to the December 18, 2013 meeting.

8. City Dock Master Plan – Section 6

Chair Moyer noted that Section 6 appears to give the AIPPC expanded role as it relates to streetscape and paving. Mr. Arthur was asked to develop some language for the AIPPC to discuss to bring into final form at which time can then be provided to the new Mayor for consideration.

9. December Meeting

Chair Moyer asked whether the AIPPC would like to host a reception for the December 18, 2013 meeting. There was a brief discussion regarding who should be invited to the reception. It was noted that Ms. Nyman was out of town for the holidays so will be invited to a future meeting. The AIPPC agreed to host a reception at its December 18, 2013 meeting at 6:00pm – 8:00pm so agreed to check into the possibility of using the Maryland Hall gallery. Ms. Matthews agreed to assist **Chair** Moyer in the efforts of the reception by providing some refreshments. Ms. Palumbo agreed to reach out to Ms. Linnell Bowen regarding using the gallery.

Adjournment

With there being no further business, Ms. Matthews moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:25pm. Mr. Arthur seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 6-0.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday January 28, 2014 at 6:30pm at Pip Moyer's Recreation Center.

Tami Hook, Recorder